



Congressman Howard Nielson (center) paid a visit to Heber City offices in order to meet with newly elected city officials Bob Morris (left) and Gordon Mendenhall (right).

Nielson Meets With

New City Officials

5 Dec 1985

Heber City (LRJ) Congressman Howard Nielson visited the municipal office on Nov. 22. His visit is one of many as he visits newly elected officials in city governments in his congressional district.

On hand to greet him and be congratulated were Gordon Mendenhall and Bob Morris, newly elected mayor and councilman. Also present to ask pertinent

questions and get some congressionally qualified answers were Councilman Louis R. Jackson and Wayne Clegg, and local business association leader Alan Day.

The half-hour meeting permitted discussion about CUP, municipal wage laws, insurance, and revenue sharing, as well as business development.

Heber City Passes

Bad Check Ordinance

12-12-85

HEBER CITY (Dec. 5) - The Heber City Council this evening passed an ordinance which will make the passing of bad checks a class B misdemeanor.

The ordinance was passed to give the city more power in prosecuting those who issue bad checks, a problem which has

plagued local merchants for some time.

Under the new law any bad check under \$200 dollars can now be prosecuted by the city Justice Court. Previously bad checks were handled as a class A misdemeanor through the state court system. Due to a large case load the majority of bad check

charges were never brought to court.

Conviction of a class B misdemeanor carries a penalty of a \$299 fine, and/or six months in jail.

The law will go into effect immediately after signature by the mayor.

Letter to the Editor

No Christmas Present From the
Heber City Council!!!

To the Residents of Heber City:

A proposed resolution of the
Heber Valley Special Service

District to adjust the percentage
of repayment of bond indebted-
ness of 77.2% by Heber City and
22.8% by the Midway Sanitation
District to 70% by Heber City

and 30% by the Midway
Sanitation District was rejected
by a majority vote of the Heber
City Council on December 19th.

The net savings to Heber City
residents on the upcoming bond
payments in February and April
1986 would amount to \$15,120
which should be passed on to
sewer rate payers. With the
negative vote to the resolution,
Heber City rate payers will
continue to pay up to \$2.00 a
month more than they need to!

We realize and understand
that the proposed resolution of
the Heber Valley Special Service
District does not resolve all the
problems and questions that
have been raised over the past
several months, but it does
resolve the problem of equal
bond indebtedness and operation
and maintenance charges by the
Heber Valley Special Service
District to the users; i.e. Heber
City and the Midway Sanitation
District. (The residents of Heber
City and the Midway Sanitation
District would pay the same per
equivalent residential hook-up
for bond indebtedness and the
same for operation and mainten-
ance charges.)

The rate payers of Heber City
have been given "the shaft" by
some members of the Heber City
Council and the Mayor. As
members of the City Council in
favor of the resolution and as rate
payers in Heber City, we hope
that this opportunity to reduce
the sewer rate is not drawn-out
indefinitely.

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How To Ruin a Town

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Letter to the Editor:

For a reason, someone put an
article in my box at work. The
article was "How to ruin a town
without trying," author un-
known. Since a new year is
coming and we all want to
improve our town, I've decided
to make positive the negatives
that were expressed.

Here's how to improve any
town, especially your own:
Attend meetings and have
positive input to the way "they"
are doing things.

Vote for good tax levies,

because money is just a helping
hand.

Support the fire and police
departments, the glory and pay
are little compensation for the
hours and dangers.

Attend school concerts, ball
games, benefit programs and
exhibits. The TV won't miss you.

Be interested in city govern-
ment business. The city council
is interested in you.

Go to church besides on
Christmas and Easter. Most
people want to know good values
and live by them-- you'll even

find sinners at church.

Support your neighbor/busi-
nessman. He has to live to be of
service. He makes a community
work and gives a community
work.

Read your local paper and
then, distant ones.

Spread stories that give fame
and compliments to the town and
its citizens. Say nice things about
people-- old and young. Trust
those worthy of trust. Be
optimistic about your com-
munity. Your motto should be "If
it's good, it happens here."

Louis R. Jackson

Heber City Council

Rejects Proposed

Sewer Resolution

26 Dec 1985

HEBER CITY (Dec. 19) - The Heber City Council this evening voted against approval of a Heber Valley Special Service District resolution that would have restructured user fees throughout the sewer district.

Those on the council opposing the resolution said that, while they approved its' contents, it did not cover all the areas necessary for an interlocal sewer agreement between Heber and Midway.

Councilman Louis Jackson noted that there was no provision for repayment to Heber of overcharges paid by the City. He stated, "We should be able to recoup past overcharges. How about some justice."

Jackson also pointed out that the resolution did not address the issues of capacity ownership or future annexation of entities, areas he said were critical to a comprehensive agreement.

Councilmen Scott Wright and Keith Jacobson, while agreeing that the issues of ownership and

annexation were important, said that they could be addressed at a later date but that it was important that the resolution on sewer rates be approved so that the February bond payment could be made. They also said that it would be difficult to arrive at a formula for calculating overcharges, if any, to the city.

In the absence of Councilman Dan Bates, the Council's vote was split 2-2. It was left to Mayor Jan Furner to cast the deciding vote. He sided with Louis Jackson and Wayne Clegg and voted against approval, stating that he felt the issues of capacity ownership and annexation policy were too important to not be included and, if they were not included now, their absence would certainly cause problems in the future. He recommended that the resolution be taken back to the sewer board and the other areas addressed.

The resolution, as put forth by the Heber Valley Special Service,

would base the bond retirement charges to users on the number of hookups, or "equivalent residential connections." According to sewer district officials an equivalent residential is a hookup serving an average of 3.5 persons. Figures provided by the HVSSD show that there are 1718 equivalent residential connections in Heber and 714 in

Midway. Based on these figures each hookup would pay \$11.19 per month toward retirement of the sewer bonds. Since Heber City has 70% of the hookups and Midway 30%, each will pay that percentage of the bond payments during 1986. Each year the number of hookups will be reviewed and the bond payment ratio adjusted as necessary.

An accompanying resolution which would have reduced Heber City's operation and maintenance charges of the sewer was not acted on by the Council.

Heber Council Lowers Sewer Rates Slightly

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HEBER CITY — As a result of recent action by the Heber City Council the city's sewer rates went down and the salaries of the mayor and councilmen rose.

The decrease in sewer rates came as a result of a recent rate reduction resolution passed by the Heber Valley Special Service District. Because of the reduction of Heber's portion of sewer bond payments will be reduced \$23,517 during 1986. Noting the reduction, Councilman Scott Wright moved that sewer rates in Heber be reduced \$1 per month, effective immediately.

Wright went on to say that the rates would be reduced further after water meters are read in

April. At that time officials will have accurate usage figures on which to base further rate cuts.

Addressing the matter of salaries for elected officials, the council noted that it had been eight years since they had received an increase. By transferring the \$150 per month travel allowance each receives to salaries and then installing an additional \$50 per month travel allowance, they were able to increase their monthly pay.

The council noted that this action would more accurately reflect their compensation as a salary instead of a travel allowance and that by shifting and adjusting travel allowances there was no need for a public hearing on salary increases as would otherwise be required.



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